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TONSIL DEFENDED BY DR. J. A. WHITE

Richmond Physician Denounces
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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Norfolk, Va., February 19.—Dr. Joseph A. White, of Richmond, censured in expressive language to-day what he called the "massacre of the tonsil," in a paper read before the Tri-State Medical Society. His disapproval of wholesale operation provoked dissimilar views at the afternoon session of the fifteenth annual meeting of the society, which was opened in the Monticello Hotel shortly before noon.

Dr. White's characterization of indiscriminate operation as the "immolation of the tonsil on the altar of fashion," followed the statement that "The tonsil craze is now at its height and like the surgical craze for removing the appendix has spread among the profession and the public as an epidemic."

In sarcastic vein, Dr. White inquired, "How many people to-day have an appendix who have given a surgeon half a chance at them—a paper read before the Tri-State Medical Society. His disapproval of wholesale operation provoked dissimilar views at the afternoon session of the fifteenth annual meeting of the society, which was opened in the Monticello Hotel shortly before noon."

"To be fashionable," said Dr. White, "one must have no tonsil, or if, perchance, he has it, it must come out. The public has learned that it is a useless appendage, placed in the throat by the Creator's oversight, and having no known function to perform, it must, like the appendix, be removed."

"The radical throat specialist has builded well, the crusade he has preached against the tonsil has aroused the multitude like Peter the Hermit's crusade against the infidel. Starting with the perfectly sane proposition that diseased tonsils should be removed, it has developed with a frenzy, an obsession to remove all sorts of tonsils; and if not in evidence they search for the so-called submerged tonsil."

"I don't mean to say that I advocate leaving diseased tonsils undisturbed, but I do say that all tonsils are not bad tonsils, and that the excessive radicalism that has become rampant goes too far in the destruction of a part of the economy that a benign providence gave us for some useful purpose."

"I wish again to make a protest and enter a word of warning here in my own home society about the reckless destruction of a possible necessity and a much-maligned organ."

WHIRLWIND CAMPAIGN.
Money is raised to inaugurate Community Boys' Work.

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Sallysburg, N. C., February 19.—The initial step looking to the inauguration of a modern Young Men's Christian Association building and work in Sallysburg was completed to-day when \$3,784 was raised for a community boys' work. The money was raised in a whirlwind campaign made by business men, under the direction of the Interstate committee. A trained secretary will be employed and Sallysburg will be made a training station for the South. Dr. John Whitehead was elected chairman of the movement.

Building Permits.
Building and repair permits were issued yesterday as follows:

A. Krengle, to erect a detached, two-story brick dwelling, 426 South Pine Street, to cost \$2,360.
Betty McDaniel, to repair a frame dwelling, 1121 St. John Street, to cost \$440.

J. E. Ruppert, to repair a brick store, 221 E. Main Street, to cost \$160.
W. B. West, to repair brick warehouse on the east side of Seventeenth Street, between Broad and Marshall Streets, to cost \$150.

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CALLS ABATTOIRS MENACE TO LIFE

Commissioner Saunders Finds
Unspeakeable Conditions
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DISEASED CATTLE SERVED

State Department Begins Campaign for Cleaning-Up Laws.

The State Food and Dairy Department is preparing to engage in an effort to secure laws that will help to clean up slaughter houses and abattoirs in Virginia, which Commissioner Saunders declares are at present a menace to the health of the State. Under the feeble inspection laws in Virginia, the department's agents are practically helpless to bring about the much desired condition of cleanliness and sanitation in the slaughter pens. More legislation of a progressive character is badly needed, says the commissioner.

"The vile, uncleanly conditions of some of the slaughter houses in the State would not be tolerated for one minute if the people only knew in what surroundings the meat for the table is prepared," said Mr. Saunders yesterday. "Some of the abattoirs have honestly endeavored to keep their slaughter pens in a decent condition, but the department is woefully handicapped in the effort to coerce those who will not clean up of their own accord."

Cleaning Up in Spots.
In slaughter houses where the beef killed is intended for interstate shipment, conditions are, of course, much better than in the majority of cases, as the Federal meat inspectors have extensive powers. But in slaughter houses which prepare meat distinctly for use in the State, the Federal inspection law has no sway, and the State itself provides for practically no control over conditions. In many instances, municipalities, notably Roanoke, have taken a hand in the matter and have passed such ordinances as are necessary to insure cleanly and sanitary conditions. For abattoirs outside municipal limits there is practically no government oversight, and the slaughter pens are allowed to go their own sweet, or rather foul, way.

"In Richmond conditions are not so bad as in other sections," said the commissioner. "Yet more stringent inspection by the municipal authorities is desirable. We have accomplished more visible results in Roanoke than in any other city of the State. By showing up conditions in the slaughter houses, we hope to persuade the cities to do their own house cleaning."

According to the commissioner, the State laws offer the meat consumer in reality no protection or assurance that the beef set out on his table may not have come from a diseased animal or from surroundings that are almost unspeakable. Unless the inspections of the State Food Department happen to stumble upon blatant cases, there is no authority to prevent farmers or slaughter houses from killing and preparing for sale animals which may be in the last stages of tuberculosis. It is difficult, said the commissioner, to detect the presence of tuberculosis in the prepared meat.

In some slaughter houses the agents of the department have found hogs rooting among the entrails of slaughtered animals, almost within the slaughter room itself," said Mr. Saunders.

"The stench from such a place is frightful. In other houses buzzards by the hundreds perched about, feeding their diseased taste on the decaying remains. No provision for the disposition of the entrails and undigested portions of the slaughtered animals is made in many places, other than to throw these portions outside the door to the hogs and buzzards."

State inspection of these slaughter houses would not be feasible, said the commissioner. The new form of government now pending before the Legislature, and with the last Saturday in March set as the day upon which the citizens are to vote upon the issue, there is ample opportunity for discussion and already there is much inquiry and much speculation. It is not certain that a majority will readily jump for a chance to try the new form of government. However, there is a healthy sentiment in favor of the proposed change.

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NOTABLE SESSION OF FARM EXPERTS

Forty-Eight County Demonstrators to Meet in Blacksburg Next Week.

Forty-eight county farm demonstrators, together with State and Federal agricultural experts, will gather at Blacksburg next Monday morning for a three-day conference on questions involving the dissemination of modern farming methods and information to every corner of Virginia. Thirteen more counties than ever before have corn clubs and county farm demonstrators this year, and the number is steadily growing.

By his untiring efforts, State Demonstrator T. O. Sandy has encouraged and built up this feature of farm development in an astonishing manner. This year there will be between seventy-five and 100 corn clubs in Virginia—more than were dreamed of several years ago. The following counties have made appropriations for farm demonstrators for the first time this year: Elizabeth City, Lancaster, Northumberland, Washington, Prince William, Henrico, Botetourt, Campbell, Surry, Isle of Wight, Pittsylvania, Middlesex and Frederick.

For the chief speaker of the Blacksburg meeting Mr. Sandy has secured Dr. Bradford Knapp, of Washington, who has entire charge of the United States Bureau of Plant Industry's farm work in the South. Dr. Knapp is regarded as the best informed man of Southern agricultural conditions in the country. A formidable array of speakers will present the various sides of farm demonstration work to the county demonstrators, and no phase of the question will be neglected.

Mr. Sandy is enthusiastic over the outlook for the meeting and expects to obtain unusual results.

Short News Stories From All Over Virginia

CHANGE IS WANTED.
Many Bristol Citizens Work for Commission Form of Government.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Bristol, Va., February 19.—Just now the question of a commission form of municipal government for Bristol, Tenn., is a live issue. With the proposition to amend the city charter so as to provide for such a form of government now pending before the Legislature, and with the last Saturday in March set as the day upon which the citizens are to vote upon the issue, there is ample opportunity for discussion and already there is much inquiry and much speculation. It is not certain that a majority will readily jump for a chance to try the new form of government. However, there is a healthy sentiment in favor of the proposed change.

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BLUNT, Mrs. W. J., 1123 Grove Avenue—Baker Two-Passenger Coupe.

CALISCH, The Rev. E. N., 2702 Monument Avenue—Baker Special.

CANNON, Mrs. L. S., 1020 West Franklin Street—Baker Victoria.

DETTELBAUGH, Leon, of Glove Clothing Co., 1131 West Franklin Street—Baker Special.

DREWRY, Mrs. Clay, 1608 West Grace Street—Baker Victoria.

FITZGERALD, Miss Irene M., 1109 Grove Avenue—Baker Special.

GOLSAN, Mrs. H. L., "The Berkeley Apartments," West Franklin St.—Baker Brougham, revolving front seats, lever steering system.

JONES, Miss May, "The Chesterfield Apartments," West Franklin Street—Baker Special.

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SAVAGE, Jacob, lumber dealer, Petersburg, Va.—Baker Victoria.

SCHMIDT, Wm. C., of Herman Schmidt & Co., etc., 210 Arch Street—Baker Victoria.

SCHUMACHER, Edwin, retired merchant, 1535 Grove Avenue—Baker Special.

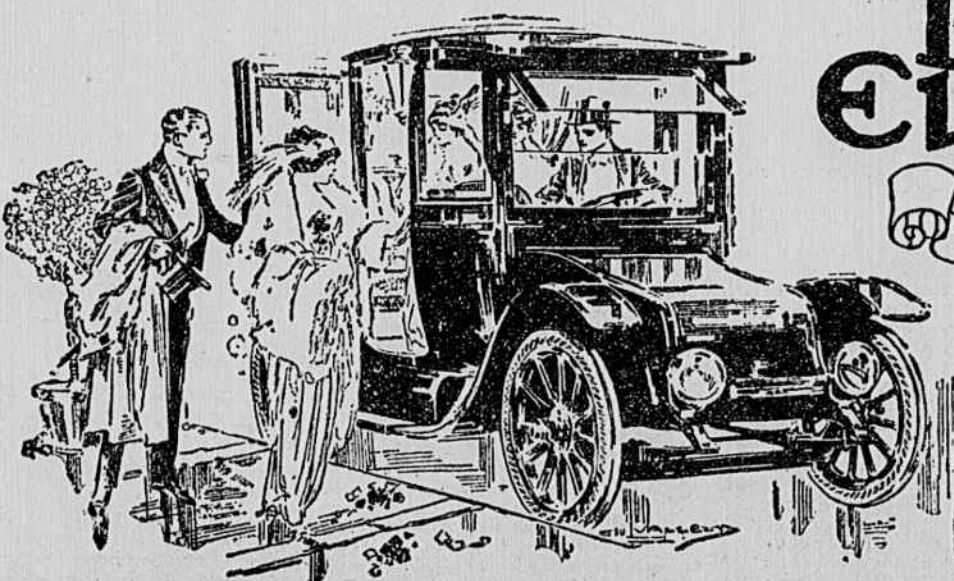
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WHEELWRIGHT, Thos. S., President Virginia Railway and Power Company, Jefferson Hotel—Baker Runabout.

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